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Dasara 2025

Plans on for niche tourism packages

From heritage walks to adventure activities and treks, Tourism Department prepares customised itineraries

A file photo of tourists thronging the Mysore Palace. This Dasara, the Tourism Department is planning to introduce customised attractions to cater to the specific interests of tourists.

Mysuru, July 20 (AG&BCT)- The Mysuru Tourism Department is gearing up for Dasara 2025 with an expanded vision — going beyond the conventional sightseeing model to tap into the specialised interests of tourists.

In addition to the regular services such as operating tourist buses to prominent destinations, the Department is focusing on niche tourism to provide tailored experiences for diverse traveller segments.

This initiative involves understanding the specific preferences of visitors and offering customised activities such as heritage walks, yoga retreats, wellness packages, culinary tours and adventure experiences including trekking in the Kodagu hills.

The aim is to diversify Mysuru's tourism offerings by catering to interest-based segments rather than generalised travel.

Tailor-made trips

"We are planning tailored trips, curated experiences and day-long itineraries to attract niche tourist groups. The goal is to increase overall tourist satisfaction and loyalty," Mysuru Tourism Department Assistant Director Prabhuswamy told *Star of Mysore*.

A parallel study is already underway to identify and map out such niche activities in and around Mysuru. The Department is focused on retaining tourists for longer stays by presenting a variety of immersive attractions.

"This year, we expect more than 10 lakh tourists during Dasara. While the traditional attractions remain popular, tourists are increasingly looking for activities like nature-based eco-tourism (Bandipur and Nagarahole National Parks), trekking in the Kodagu region, heritage walks across Mysuru's historical sites, adventure tourism (including river rafting in Kodagu), safe water sports for children, and cultural tourism focusing on local traditions and handicrafts," he explained. "Mysuru has immense untapped potential. We intend to make the most of it."

Another area of focus is spiritual tourism during the Navarathri season. "Tourists often seek information on prominent Devi temples and the legends associated with them. We are in the process of identifying such sites and will submit a proposal to District Administration by July 30, allowing ample time for implementation," he added.

(See TOURISM on page 7)

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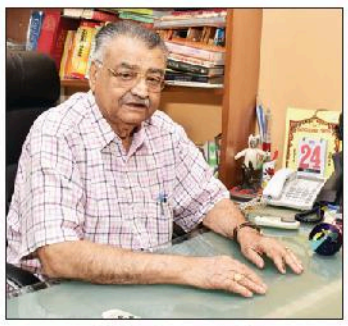
PM Modi condoles KBG's passing away



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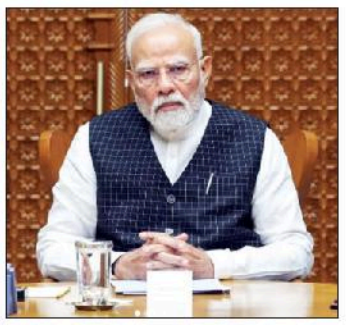

Narendra Modi

Mysuru, July 20 (OSR)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has expressed deep condolences over the demise of K.B. Ganapathy (KBG), the Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* newspapers, who passed away last Sunday.

In a letter dated July 15, 2025, addressed to K.B. Ganapathy's wife, K.K. Devamma (Ralie Ganapathy), the Prime Minister conveyed that he was deeply saddened by the news of K.B. Ganapathy's passing and appreciated his lasting contribution to the media landscape of Karnataka.

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Prime Minister

New Delhi
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July 15, 2025

Smt. Ralie Ganapathy Ji,

I received the news of the demise of Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Ji with a feeling of grief and sadness. Such a loss leaves a void that can never be filled.

A renowned journalist, Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Ji was widely respected for his thoughtful views and compelling work. Through his writings, he has left behind a legacy that will continue to inspire younger generations to tread the path shown by him.

During the course of his writing career spanning several decades, Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Ji excelled not just as a journalist, but also left behind an indelible mark as an author and an institution-builder.

He made a lasting contribution to the media landscape of Karnataka. The two newspapers that he founded – Star of Mysore in English and Mysuru Mithra in Kannada, reflect Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Ji's passion and commitment to enriching public discourse in Karnataka, particularly in the region around Mysuru and Kodagu.

The values that Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Ji instilled will continue to inspire the family. Memories of the times spent with him will provide you solace and comfort in this difficult hour.

He will be missed by family, friends and well-wishers, but he will always continue to reside in hearts.

My heartfelt condolences and thoughts are with you and the family. May you gather the strength and fortitude to endure this grievous loss.

Om Shanti!

(Narendra Modi)

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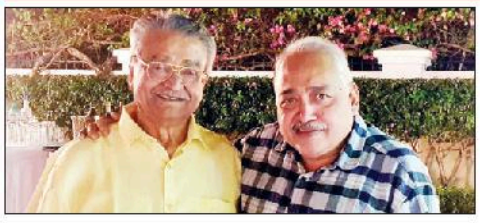
To Our Readers



Turn to Page-6 for a tribute by Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem to his good old friend KBG.—**Ed**

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 20th July 2025

Calling meritorious Muslim community students

Mysuru, July 20- The Karnataka State Government Muslim Employees Welfare Association, No.852, 2nd Cross, II Stage, Rajivnagar, Mysuru, has invited applications from meritorious Muslim community students of Mysuru district who have scored high marks in SSLC/PUC (85 percent and more in Central syllabus and 90 percent and more in State syllabus in the year 2024-25), for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar.

The eligible students can send their applications along with marks card and other necessary records, through post to the Secretary of the Association, the address of which is mentioned above or through *https://forms.gle/dGd9vmgdFiuCQYLd9*, before July 23.

For more details, contact Mob: 98809-72551, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

REINING THE SENSES, WINNING THE MIND: ***Our ancient spiritual traditions emphasise the mastery over senses as a means to the path of accomplishments and inner peace. The Bhagavad Gita describes the senses as powerful horses that must be reined in by the charioteer. Our five senses namely sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch are the primary windows for navigating life, experience beauty, avoid danger and build connections. The metaphor of powerful horses for the five senses implies that our senses are naturally strong, energetic and prone to running wild if not controlled. They can pull us in many directions, often towards desires, distractions and immediate gratification regardless of long-term consequences. They are not inherently bad, but their power needs direction of a charioteer.***

The charioteer here represents the higher faculty of human beings which are reason, wisdom and spiritual awareness. It's about self-mastery and directing our inner energies rather than being passively driven by external stimuli. Without this conscious guidance, our senses can drag us wherever they please, often leading to indulgence, deviation from our goals, and so on. For instance, uncontrolled taste can lead to overeating, just as uncontrolled sight can breed envy through exposure to materialistic imagery.

In the recently concluded Norway Chess-2025, Gukesh Dommaraju's victory over Magnus Carlsen wasn't just about outplaying a chess legend; it was a masterclass in emotional stability and focussed intent. The youngster fought back to force Carlsen into a blunder in round 6. His ability to stay calm under extreme stress made the decisive difference. On the other hand, Carlsen was on the commanding position for much of the game, playing with nearly 99% accuracy according to experts. Facing the stronger opponent and a worse position, Gukesh methodically defended until his rival cracked. Even though millions were watching, he remained unflappable and let nothing shake his nerve. After the win, while Carlsen's outburst became a headline, Gukesh's calm under pressure earned admiration and respect, notably from industrialist Anand Mahindra who observed, "His silence roared louder." As he continues his journey on the world stage, his control over his senses could prove to be his most enduring and powerful weapon. To be in command of the five senses is neither denial nor deprivation, but discipline, leading towards a life of balance, purpose, peace and blessedness.

— Jayanthi Chandrasekaran in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Scientists create world's first cyborg bee

Beijing: Worker bees can carry nectar sacks weighing about 80 percent of their body mass for 5 kms without resting, so they have no problem carrying a 74 mg brain controller developed by Chinese researchers.

The ultra-light device can be strapped to the bee's back and connected to its brain via three tiny needles, allowing humans to control the movements of the insect. The controller uses low-intensity electric impulses to input the insect's movements, making it turn left, turn right, advance, or turn back, depending on the situation. According to Professor Zhao Jieliang, in the tests performed by his team so far, the bees obeyed their commands 9 times out of 10.

Rosebud sled auctioned for $14.75 million

London: The iconic Rosebud sled from Orson Welles' 1941 film *Citizen Kane* was auctioned for 14.75 million dollars, becoming the second-most expensive movie memorabilia ever sold.

The sled, one of only three known to survive, belonged to *Gremlins* director Joe Dante since he discovered the long-lost prop while working at the RKO Pictures studio lot in 1984.

Dante put the sled up for sale via Heritage Auctions, and it fetched a price of $14.75 million the second-highest ever paid for a piece of movie memorabilia, after the ruby slippers from *The Wizard of Oz* were auctioned by Heritage in 2024 for 32.5 million dollars.

"I've had the honour of protecting this piece of cinematic history for decades. To see Rosebud find a new home — and make history in the process — is both surreal and deeply gratifying. It's a testament to the enduring power of storytelling," Dante said in a news release.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Whiteheads vs Blackheads

Whiteheads form when pores clog with oil and dead cells. When exposed to air, they oxidize and become blackheads.

By Dr. Ravi S – Consultant Dermatologist & Cosmetologist
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LIFE'S ON

****Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Job Mela and free health check-up camp on July 24

Mysuru, July 20 (GA&DM)- As part of the birthday celebration of Chamaraja Congress MLA K. Harishgowda, a Mega Udyoga Mela (Job Fair) and free health check-up camp have been organised at J.K. Grounds in the city on July 24 at 9.30 am.

Announcing this at a press meet here on Thursday, Indira Gandhi Block Congress President Ravi Manchegowdanakoppal said that more than 70 top companies are expected to take part in the Job Mela.

Pointing out that unemployed youths in the age group of 18 to 35 years and with qualifications ranging from SSLC to Post-Graduate degree, can attend the Mela either directly or through registration along with their academic and other necessary records, he called upon the youths to make use of this opportunity and get suitably employed.

Stating that more than 40 Hospitals are taking part in the free health check-up camp, Ravi said that the camp also features voluntary blood donation.

Also, sewing machines (for women), push carts and Ayurvedic medicinal plants will be distributed to beneficiaries on the occasion, he added.

For more details, contact Mob: 76769-67671.

Congress leader Ramesh Rayappa, The Mysore Co-operative Bank President Yogesh, University of Mysore Syndicate member Mahadesh and Chamaraja Constituency Ashraya Samiti President Ananthanarayana were present at the press meet.

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Yesterday's level **123.25 feet**	Friday's level **2,282.51 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,856.93 feet**
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- ***Bees have a specialised tongue called a proboscis, which is used for feeding on nectar. It's a long, flexible structure that can be extended to reach deep into flowers. The proboscis acts like a straw and in some cases, a spoon, allowing bees to efficiently collect nectar.***

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Student: *I would not have any sense!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 86.19
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 115.54
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.46
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VOICE OF THE READER

Footpaths vanishing under encroachments

Pedestrians forced onto roads

Sir,

I wish to bring to light the increasing encroachment of footpaths in our city, which is causing serious inconvenience to pedestrians. What is meant to be a safe space for walking has been turned into private extensions by various sections of society.

In front of posh houses, footpaths are often converted into decorative gardens, forcing walkers onto the road. Smaller houses extend their garages onto footpaths, leaving little or no space for pedestrians.

Commercial establishments use sidewalks as storage areas, while street vendors set up stalls, turning footpaths into makeshift markets.

Additionally, many houses construct ramps and steps to prevent water from entering their premises. This disrupts natural drainage and worsens water-logging during rains.

Apart from these issues, another major concern is the dumping of construction materials and the erection of temporary structures on footpaths.

Many builders and homeowners leave sand, cement, bricks, and debris on sidewalks for extended periods, forcing pedestrians onto busy roads.

Footpaths are meant for pedestrians, yet their misuse forces people onto traffic-heavy roads, leading to congestion and posing safety risks, especially for children and the elderly.

I urge the authorities concerned to take immediate steps to clear footpaths of such encroachments and ensure safe pedestrian movement across our city. Regular inspections can help restore footpaths to their intended purpose.

—Shobana Jacob
Contour Road, Mysuru
4.7.2025

Spoorthi Utsav to conclude today

Mysuru, July 20 (GA&DM)- The two-day Spoorthi Utsav 2025-26, organised by the ladies wing of Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, at Jayamma Govindegowda Convention Centre on Udayaravi Road in Kuvempunagar, will conclude today.

The event was inaugurated by Namratha Shenoy, Managing Director of Diya Silks and Founder of Diya Foundation yesterday. The Expo, featuring more than 50 stalls, is an exotic exhibition of exclusive products from women entrepreneurs, including sarees, salwars, kurtis, jewellery, home decor, kitchenware, gift articles, art works, pottery, handmade articles, food products and eateries.

The expo will be open till 8.30 pm today, with a Musical performance by Purushotham and team at 6 pm.

The BAI Ladies Wing President Kavitha Gururaj, Hon. Secretary Ramya Lokesh, Hon. Treasurer Veena Ashok, Shanthi Bharadwaj, Rekha Prakash and others were present during the inauguration yesterday.

No power supply on July 21, 22

Mysuru, July 20 (TRR) - Following various works taken up by CESC in city, there will be no power between 10 am and 6 pm on July 21 and 22 in the following places.

July 21 - Bhuvaneshwari Feeder Limits: Gundurao Nagar, Muneshwara Nagar, Gowrishankar Nagar, Jockey Quarters, Chamundi Hill and surrounding places.

Krishnamurthypuram Feeder Limits: Ashokapuram 1st to 13th Cross, Krishnamurthypuram 1st to 7th Cross, KR Vanam, Railway Workshop and surrounding areas.

July 22 - RTO Feeder Limits: Ballal Circle, Chamarajapuram, Jain Bhavan, Chamaraja Mohalla, Bestarageri, Vishnuvardhan Road & surrounding areas.

Court Feeder Limits: Geeta Road, Maharaja Hostel, Ramaswamy Circle, Zilla Panchayat, Law Courts Complex and surrounding places.

Lakshmipuram Feeder Limits: Lakshmipuram, Hosakeri, Sunnadakeri, Nellor Shed, KR Vanam, Rahamania Mohalla, Medar Keri, Kumbara Keri and surrounding areas according to a press release from CESC.

Little Masters T20 Cricket Tournament begins

Mysuru, July 20 (VNS)- Little Masters T20 Cricket Tournament organised by DMS 1998 Alumni Batch for high schools began at DMS Cricket Ground located at RIE Campus in Manasagangothri yesterday. The tournament was inaugurated by Regional Institute of Education (RIE) Principal Prof. Pradyumna Kumar Sethy.

DMS Headmaster Dr. Hanumanthaiah presided. RIE Assistant Professor of Physical Education Dr. Bhagavan, DMS PGT Dr. Shashi Kumar, Organising Committee Members R. Raghavendra, M.E. Santosh Kumar, M.N. Nishith and others were present on the occasion.

Corrections and Clarifications

The headline of the news item ***'Only 44 percent freight handled by rail in Mysuru region, says DRM',*** and the text published in *Star of Mysore* dated July 18 on Page 12, may please be read as **'Only 4.4 percent freight handled by rail in Mysuru region, says DRM'.** The error is regretted. —Ed

Hearty Congratulations

Rachith Aiyappa

Balladichanda Rachith Aiyappa has been awarded a Doctorate in Informatics (Complex Networks and Systems) from Indiana University, Bloomington, USA, where he was part of the Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering.

His dissertation, titled "Towards Empirically Validated Models of Belief Dynamics," combines Physics, Cognitive Science, and Natural Language Processing to understand how the interactions between beliefs give rise to large-scale societal phenomena such as polarization, consensus formation, and stereotypes.

His Ph.D. research has been published in high-impact venues such as Science Advances, the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), Nature Human Behaviour, and the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL). He also received the Luddy Excellence Award for his contributions as an associate instructor and various grants and fellowships during his doctoral studies.

An alumnus of St. Joseph's Central School, Mysuru, Rachith completed his Pre-University studies at Narayana College, Hyderabad, before earning a dual degree in B.E. (Hons.) Mechanical Engineering and M.Sc. (Hons.) Physics from BITS Pilani.

His academic journey has been marked by numerous milestones. In 2018, he was one of 13 students in India to receive the prestigious Charpak Research Internship Scholarship, which enabled him to pursue research on collective dynamics in biological systems at CNRS and the University of Toulouse, France.

He completed his Bachelor's thesis at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, and his Master's thesis at Humboldt University, Berlin, continuing his investigations into emergent behaviors in complex systems.

Before beginning his doctoral studies, he also served as a Teaching Fellow at Ashoka University, Sonepat.

Rachith is now set to begin his role as an Applied Research Scientist at eBay, California.

Heartfelt thanks to all the institutions, mentors, friends, and family members whose support has shaped his remarkable academic journey.

— Kushy A.M., Mother

— Promotional Feature

Funds no constraint for development: Chief Minister

Congress Government marks two years with Rs. 2,578-crore push for Mysuru

Mysuru, July 20 (BLU, MTY & BCT)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah yesterday launched developmental projects worth Rs. 2,578.03 crore in the Mysuru region during the 'Sadhana Samavesha' held at Maharaja's College Grounds.

The event, organised by the District administration and Zilla Panchayat, marked the Congress Government's completion of two years in office. It was presided over by Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda.

AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge, Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and Ministers Dr. G. Parameshwar, Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, K. Venkatesh, K.H. Muniyappa, K.J. George, Shivaraj S. Tangadagi and Rahim Khan, along with several MLAs, were present.

Projects across multiple departments were either inaugurated or had foundation stones laid, signifying what the Chief Minister called "a testament to the Government's commitment to development."

Siddaramaiah claimed that adequate funds were available under the current regime for infrastructure and welfare, enabling the launch of such large-scale works. "In the last two years, we have undertaken numerous developmental initiatives across Karnataka. Programmes like these are to make people aware of our work," he noted.

COMMANDING THE SPOTLIGHT: ***Chief Minister Siddaramaiah walks down a special red ramp at the Maharaja's College Grounds yesterday during the 'Sadhana Samavesha', showered with petals and flanked by cheering supporters, stealing the show as AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge and Deputy Chief Minister Shivakumar follow a few steps behind.***

He reiterated that the Government enjoyed strong public support. Highlighting the Congress' guarantee schemes, the CM said, "We've provided five guarantees that benefit the poor irrespective of caste, religion or political affiliation. Rs. 55,000 crore is being spent annually on these schemes. Under the Shakti scheme alone, 500 crore women have travelled free on Government buses."

He also listed other flagship initiatives like Anna Bhagya, Gruha Lakshmi, Gruha Jyothi, and Yuva Nidhi, calling them landmark efforts in social justice.

Calling for the political, social and economic empowerment of backward communities, Siddaramaiah said, "Around 90 percent of the population belongs to backward sections. They must be brought into the mainstream. Our development agenda is based on 'equal share and equal dignity.'"

Mallikarjun Kharge said projects worth thousands of crores were inaugurated in Mysuru because of Siddaramaiah's special concern for the region. "From Nehru's time, Bengaluru and Mysuru have seen significant industrial development. D, Devaraj Urs accelerated Mysuru's growth further," he recalled.

Kharge praised Ambedkar's vision in granting equal voting rights to all citizens, rich or poor. He also highlighted the five guarantees, stating, "These schemes have become models for the nation. Other States are beginning to emulate them. Our Government is focused on the welfare of the common man."

'We walk the talk': Ministers claim on guarantee schemes

Mysuru, July 20 (BLU,MTY & BCT)- Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Water Resources D.K. Shivakumar claimed that the Congress Government has kept its electoral promises by implementing all five guarantee schemes.

"You blessed us with your support. Today, we are here to repay that trust through development," he said at the Sadhana Samavesha. "We don't indulge in emotional politics; we focus on politics that improve people's lives," he stated.

"Today, foundation stones have been laid in Mysuru for development works worth Rs. 2,578 crore," Shivakumar confirmed.

Social Welfare Minister and Mysuru District In-charge H.C. Mahadevappa described the event as a celebration of development. He said the guarantee schemes have significantly improved lives and recalled that 100 years ago, Mahatma Gandhi held a Congress session in Belagavi — a tradition that continues today with renewed commitment to people's welfare.

Mahadevappa highlighted Mysuru's growth under the current regime, citing the construction of a new district hospital that proved vital during the COVID pandemic, road infrastructure upgrades and the ongoing construction of a modern KSRTC bus terminal at Bannimantap.

"After D. Devaraj Urs, the highest level of development has been under Siddaramaiah's leadership," he stated. "Our guarantees are being delivered without discrimination. We walk the talk. Let's lead Karnataka towards inclusive growth."

Animal Husbandry and Sericulture Minister K. Venkatesh said the Govt. is committed to development. "The previous regime failed to execute meaningful progress and now resorts to baseless accusations. We, however, focus on resolving public concerns and delivering people-centric governance," he said.

Guarantee Schemes Implementation Authority Chairman H.M. Revanna, H.D. Kote MLA Anil Chikkamadu, CM's Political Secretary Nazir Ahmed, MLAs Ravishankar (K.R. Nagar), Tanveer Sait (NR), Darshan Dhruvanarayan (Nanjangud), MLC D. Thimmaiah, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, ZP CEO S. Ukesh Kumar, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif, Additional DC Dr. P. Shivaraju and actor Sadhu Kokila were present.

Shivakumar's early exit sparks rift talk

Mysuru, July 20 (MK&BCT)- The Congress convention, intended to project Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's political clout, was overshadowed by the early departure of Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, intensifying speculation about simmering tensions within the party's State leadership.

Shivakumar, who had travelled from Bengaluru specifically for the event, left the venue moments after delivering a brief speech, well before Siddaramaiah's address. His sudden exit, which came while Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge was still speaking, shifted focus from the convention's intended message to the party's internal dynamics.

Shivakumar exited the stage along with Chamarajanagar MP Sunil Bose and Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, just as Kharge began his address. When Siddaramaiah took the stage, he named all other dignitaries present — except Shivakumar — making no effort to hide his displeasure.

Jayadevanayak, Chairman of the Tribal Development Corporation and seated on the dais, reminded Siddaramaiah of the omission. The CM, visibly irritated, responded sharply:

"He's not here... he's left... Sit down. You're a lawyer, right? He's gone to Bengaluru. Do we name people who've already left? We welcome those present, not those sitting at home." Siddaramaiah didn't stop there. With a pointed tone, he added: "You're insisting I mention D.K. Shivakumar? He's the Deputy CM and said he had other work in Bengaluru. That's why I didn't mention his name."

His remarks triggered murmurs in the crowd, further fueling questions about whether all was well between the Chief Minister and his deputy.

CM, Dy.CM offer bagina at Kabini Dam

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar offered bagina to River Kabini at Kabini Dam at H.D. Kote in Mysuru this morning. They were accompanied by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLAs Anil Chikkamadu and Darshan Dhurvanarayan and former Minister M. Shivanna. The puja rituals were carried out by Chamundi Hill Temple Chief Priest Dr. Shashishekar Dixit.

Close call for Dy.CM as convoy car skids, flips

Mandya, July 20 (Agencies)- Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister and State Congress President D.K. Shivakumar had a narrow escape yesterday, when an escort vehicle in his convoy overturned on the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway near Srirangapatna in Mandya district.

The incident occurred around 2.30 pm near TM Hosur in Gowdahalli. The escort vehicle, reportedly the front pilot car, skidded on the rain-slick road, hit the median and overturned. It then vaulted onto the opposite side of the highway.

Two Police personnel sustained minor injuries and were immediately shifted to a hospital in Mysuru. The injured have been identified as Mahesh, Dinesh, Jayalingu and Karthik. All four were initially administered first aid at the Srirangapatna Taluk Hospital and were later shifted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru for further treatment.

Mandya Superintendent of Police Mallikarjun Baladandi said the vehicle was part of the convoy returning to Bengaluru from the Congress party's 'Sadhana Samavesha' held in Mysuru.

"Due to rain, the vehicle lost control, hit the divider and jumped across to the other lane. Fortunately, no oncoming traffic was present at that moment, preventing a major tragedy," he explained.

Shivakumar, whose vehicle was behind the escort car, halted briefly after the incident. An alternative vehicle was quickly arranged for the injured personnel and the convoy proceeded safely. Police have taken up the case for further investigation.

Traffic gridlocks, bar rush mark Sadhana Samavesha

Mysuru, July 20 (MTY&VNS)- With thousands of Congress workers gathering at Maharaja's College Grounds for the 'Sadhana Samavesha', several roads across the city witnessed heavy traffic congestion. Over 800 buses — including 465 KSRTC buses and more than 200 mini-buses — were deployed to ferry party workers and the public from all Assembly Constituencies of Mysuru district.

Buses arriving via Hunsur Road, KRS Road, Mahadevapura Road, Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Bannur, T. Narasipura, Nanjangud, H.D. Kote and Bogadi Road caused gridlocks at several junctions, including Saraswathipuram, Jayanagar, Krishnamurthypuram, JLB Road, Chamaraja Double Road and Ramaswamy Circle, as many vehicles were parked along the roadside. Traffic Police and Home Guards struggled to manage the situation.

Even as the convention commenced, people continued to pour in from Hunsur, Periyapatna, K.R. Nagar and nearby towns. With the turnout exceeding the number of chairs available at the venue, many were seen standing outside the pandal, listening to political speeches.

Bars see brisk business

Several bars located near Maharaja's College Grounds witnessed an unusual rush, as many attendees flocked to them before or after the convention. A few individuals were seen drinking liquor — purchased from MRP outlets — on footpaths with friends.

Fast food stalls, particularly those serving non-vegetarian fare, also reported good business.

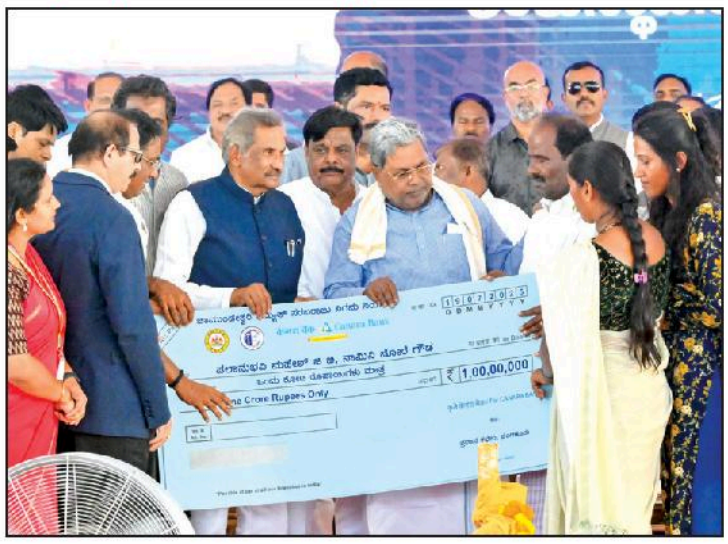
Meanwhile, some workers brought in buses from neighbouring towns were seen skipping the event altogether. Instead, they opted for city rounds with their friends and families.

Heavy footfall was observed at D. Devaraj Urs Road, Sayyaji Rao Road and around Mysore Palace. After shopping and sightseeing, many returned to the convention venue around 3 pm to board their buses and head home.

Death while on duty

CESC hands over compensation of Rs. 1.06 crore to dependents

CM, Energy Minister launch CESC, KPTCL projects amounting to Rs. 408.95 crore



Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Energy Minister K.J. George presenting the compensation cheque to Boregowda, the father of Mahesh as other family members look on.

Mysuru, July 20 (BCT)- Committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of its personnel, the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has provided a compensation cheque of Rs. 1.06 crore to the family of Mahesh, a 27-year-old junior power line worker who tragically lost his life in an electrical accident while on duty.

The accident insurance cheque was handed over at a public event held yesterday at Maharaja's College Grounds in the city. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Energy Minister K.J. George presented the cheque to Mahesh's father, Boregowda and other family members, acknowledging the young worker's sacrifice.

Mahesh was attached to the Pandavapura Sub-division under the CESC jurisdiction. Present on the occasion were CESC Managing Director K.M. Munigopal Raju and Mysuru Division Superintendent Engineer Sunil, among others.

Projects worth Rs. 408.95 crore

During the same event, Siddaramaiah inaugurated and laid the foundation for multiple electricity infrastructure projects under CESC and Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), amounting to a total investment of Rs. 408.95 crore.

Four major initiatives under CESC were launched, aimed at upgrading and modernising the power supply infrastructure across Mysuru. These include the conversion of 11kV overhead power lines into underground cables and the replacement of low-tension (LT) overhead lines with aerial bunch cables.

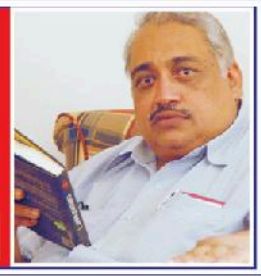
The projects cover four Assembly Constituencies in Mysuru — Rs. 118.97 crore for Krishnaraja, Rs. 125.51 crore for Chamaraja, Rs. 103.74 crore for Narasimharaja and Rs. 60.73 crore for Chamundeshwari.

In addition to these, the CM laid the foundation stone for two KPTCL substation projects in Hunsur Taluk.

These include a 66/11kV, 2x20 MVA substation at Manuganahalli, estimated at Rs. 20.41 crore and another 66/11kV, 2x20 MVA substation at Kattemalavadi, worth Rs. 18.32 crore.

Together, these projects are expected to significantly strengthen the power transmission network and improve the reliability of the electricity supply across Mysuru and the surrounding regions.

Over a cup of evening Tea



By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Good Old KBG and Me!

The year was 2006 and I was one of the members of **Anjuman-E-Hadiqatul Adab,** then nearly a century-old small organisation, which with its handful of members, had always been working towards preserving and promoting culture, literature and communal harmony in our city. That was the year we Anjuman members decided to do something novel by holding an ***Eid Milan*** **dinner** every year after *Eid-ul-Fitr,* the festival marking completion of *Ramzan,* the month during which Muslims across the world fast.

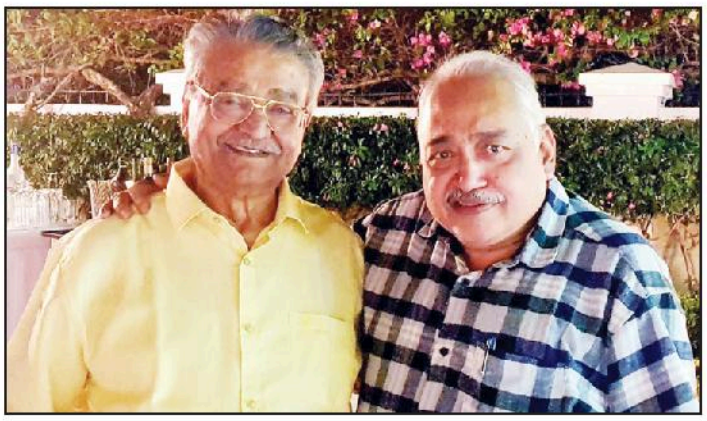
We felt that instead of only members of our community celebrating the *Eid,* it would be better if we made it an occasion where we could invite members of every other community and every walk of life, to share our joy at an evening get-together.

Our very first *Eid Milan* became an instant hit with Mysureans and the nearly fifteen others that followed it, year after year, were no different in their ability to bring different communities together, in a unique spirit of joy, brotherhood and camaraderie.

We held our very first *Eid Milan* function at Olive Garden Hotel and among our other guests K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore (SOM),* whom we sadly lost last Sunday, was also there on our list and so I went personally with a few of my friends to invite him.

Thanks to our long-standing closeness and the very high regard and affection he had for me, KBG, as he was fondly known to all who knew him, never used to miss any of the functions to which I would invite him. On every occasion, he would agree to come, only if I promised that I would not ask him to speak. And, although he held on to his part of the promise every time and come, I would break mine, every time, by making him speak!

This time, he looked at the *Eid Milan* invitation card with a queer expression on his face and said, **"Doctor, try as I might, I'm simply unable to pronounce the tongue-twister name of your organisation, but I shall certainly be there to relish the famous, tongue-tickling *Eid Biryani* with you!"** And, on that eventful day he was there on time, as he always used to be, at every function, with the rare kind of punctuality he was long known for.



KBG & Dr. Javeed, 28th February, 2024.

Another one of his sterling qualities was that whenever he attended a function or a lecture, he would with perfect decorum, always sit through its entire duration, without leaving in the middle and would always mingle freely with all other guests.

Seeing that there was still some time left for our function to start, he called me aside and said, "Doctor, you may not know what I know from my long experience, but good *biryani* always tastes even better, after a brief round of some drinks. Since you people will not be serving them at your function, can I just slip away for a short while and have a quick drink and join you all again?" I knew how much he loved his customary pre-dinner drink and so I said that he was most welcome to do it and escorted him into the restaurant.

But it was not so easy for him to keep his promise to me this time, because the moment people saw him entering, half a dozen of them sprang up from their seats and pulled him into their fold, with undisguised elation. He was a most popular man at all gatherings, for his warm and effusive company and his terrific sense of humour. There is nothing like good company for a man to get lost and lose his sense of time and on our first *Eid Milan* day too, by the time he was done with his friends and joined us, the very brief formal function was almost drawing to a close.

Looking at the good time he and his friends were having over their drinks, I too had thought it unwise to disturb him, by calling him away till the dinner was served, which was the main highlight of the evening. He was, therefore, the last one of the few people who came to the rostrum to convey their *Eid* greetings but he stayed with us for the dinner, which he said he relished very much.

I knew that his compliment was very genuine but I did not know for sure if his enjoyment of the *biryani* was due to the culinary capabilities of our chef or the magic of the drinks he had had!

As he was leaving, he called me aside once again and told me that since he had missed most of what had transpired in the formal function, he would be happy if I could send him an e-mail the next morning with the details so that he could arrange for a report to appear in *Star of Mysore.* I reassured him that I would take care of the matter and saw him off at his car.

The next day, I prepared a fairly detailed report, both about the purpose and the proceedings of the previous evening, preferring him to do his own editing and tried to mail it to him. To my bad luck, my internet connection was down and I could not send the mail and so to beat the day's printing deadline of the paper, I decided to deliver a hard copy to him personally at his office. He welcomed me very warmly and took my report into his hands with profuse thanks.

After going through it, he called Meera, his assistant editor and handing it to her he said, "Carry this today, as it is, without making any changes whatsoever."

I felt more than a little surprised but extremely happy with this act of unusual magnanimity, that was coming from a man whose job it was to sculpt and trim anything written by anyone else. He then sat looking at me silently for a long while and then, after this pregnant pause, with a wide smile he said, **"Doctor, I do not know how good you are at your job, because I have never been your patient, but I feel that you are completely in the wrong profession. You should have been a writer and a journalist! With your kind of writing, why don't you write a regular column for our paper? I would be most obliged if you think about my proposal and agree to it."**

But without thinking even for a moment I said, "Fine, let's call my column *'Over a Cup of Evening Tea'* **then!" And, that was how this weekly column was born, completely by accident and thanks to a momentarily bad internet connection! Yes, sometimes good things can come out of bad situations and this is one such example.**

This column has now seen almost eighteen years and KBG himself once said last year at a dinner at his house, that this was the longest running column, not only in his paper but even when compared to the track record of many other columns, in other newspapers too. Yes. Eighteen years is indeed a very long time and even I'm more than a little surprised that I have been able to find a suitable subject to write about, week after week, which I have found is not an easy task, although writing about it is not at all a problem for me.

But thanks to God, I've been able to do it and earn the admiration, appreciation and good will of the thousands of my readers across the world, who eagerly read *SOM,* both in print and on the net too, thanks to the whiff they get through it, of all the good and bad that happens in their city and its distant environs too.

I get many bouquets for what I write, which I cherish very much and on rare occasions, I get some brickbats too, which I take in my stride and remain undeterred. This column had become a strong and lasting bond between KBG and me and we would discuss many things, both in person and over the phone too, especially about the books we read, because of our great love for reading.

On Friday, just two days before he passed away, he called me up to tell me that he was not feeling too well and that he was just back from a brief stay at the hospital. He said, "Doctor, you are a man with a lot of positivity and so I would like to have a long talk with you in a couple of days, as soon as I recuperate a little. I wanted to pay him a visit on Sunday but sadly, that never happened because he passed away on Sunday morning.

But the silver lining to the dark cloud his exit has cast over all those who knew him is that he led a long and full life, living on his own terms and departing with his boots on, without tasting the pangs of old age, which is what most people dread. This alone made him a very lucky man!

And, before leaving, he paid me one of the best compliments I've received for my writing. On 28th February, 2024, he had invited a small of group of doctors and their spouses to his house, for dinner. That is when he told my wife and me that he would host a special dinner to celebrate the completion of the twentieth year of my column because he liked my writing very much.

When I asked him what was so special about it, he winked at me mischievously and said with a broad grin, **"Doctor, you have an elephantine memory which I envy and whatever you write and whatever you speak, are both very enjoyable, because they are both laced with subtle humour. They are both like what a pretty lady's skirt should be — long enough to cover the subject and yet short enough to keep it interesting!"** *Rest in peace Dear KBG, you and your humour, will both be badly missed!*

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KBG remembered as *Ajatashatru* who won hearts of Mysureans

Dr. M. Umapathy speaking at condolence meeting of K.B. Ganapathy, as Prof. K.C. Belliappa looks on at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium in city this morning.

Mysuru, July 20 (MK&DM)- Describing *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Founder-Editor Dr. K.B. Ganapathy (KBG) as a man who had won the hearts of Mysureans, former Vice-Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University in Arunachal Pradesh, Prof. K.C. Belliappa, said KBG was a warm and affectionate personality and truly an *Ajatashatru* — one without enemies.

He was speaking after presiding over the condolence meet of late Dr. K.B. Ganapathy organised by the Mysore Open Forum at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium in Vijayanagar Fourth Stage this morning.

Calling KBG an embodiment of the joy of living, Prof. Belliappa recalled his journey, from studying in a Government School in Madikeri to pursuing Law in Bengaluru and Journalism at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mumbai.

KBG briefly worked with 'The Indian Express' after giving up legal practice. Later, he started an advertising agency in Pune before returning to Mysuru in 1976 after his marriage.

"In 1978, KBG launched *Star of Mysore*, followed by *Mysuru Mithra* in 1980. Both newspapers quickly became household names," Prof. Belliappa said.

Captivating orator

Dr. M. Umapathy of Mysore Open Forum, described KBG as a captivating orator who used his command of language to enthral audiences.

"KBG is, without doubt, the most successful journalist in Mysuru. His newspapers entered the market when publications by Agaram Rangaiah, Thataiah and others were still in circulation. But *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* carved out their own niche. Columns like 'Abracadabra' and 'Hocus-Pocus' became instant hits," he said.

"KBG's editorials covered a wide range of subjects, which added to the popularity of his papers. Readers often felt they had missed something vital if they didn't get a copy," he said.

Printer, publisher and editor

Industrialist Ashvini Ranjan, reminisced about his friendship with KBG that began in 1976 — before *Star of Mysore* was launched. Ranjan said, "KBG worked tirelessly as a printer, publisher and editor. *Star of Mysore*, which began with just 200 copies, quickly scaled up to 2,000 — a testament to the paper's rapid growth along with *Mysuru Mithra*."

BVB Mysuru Kendra Chairman Prof. C. Naganna, Dr. Gopal Singh, Bapu Satyanarayana, Dr. H.S. Shivanna, Prof. R. Chandra Prakash and senior journalist Krishnaprasad were present.

Plans on for niche tourism packages

(Continued from page 1)

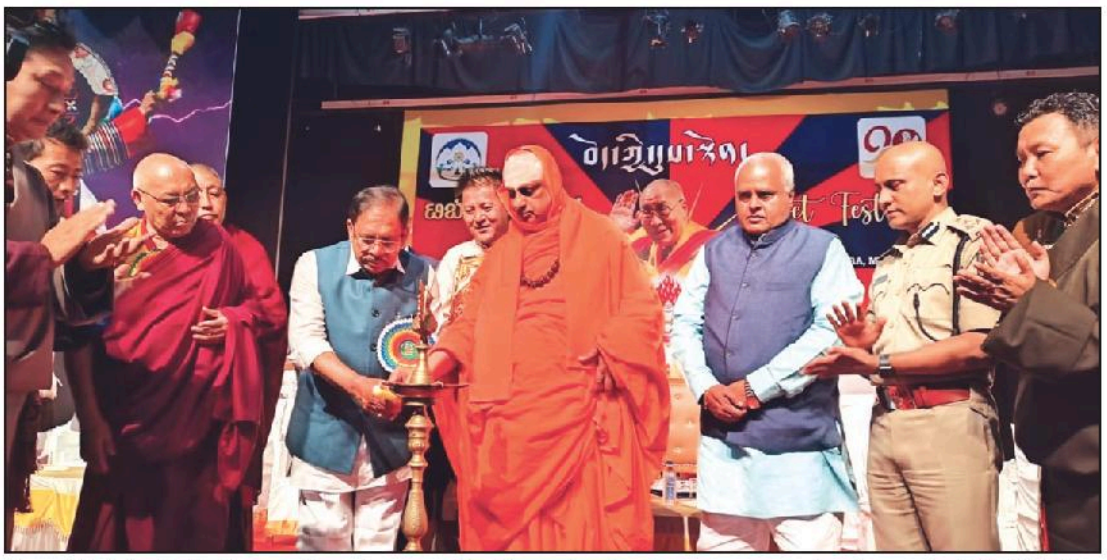
Prabhuswamy stressed that such curated tours must be comprehensive. "These experiences must be seamless — from transportation and meals to entry tickets — with tourists not having to stand in queues or face logistical hassles. We're also working with historians and cultural experts to ensure the pilot rollout is both authentic and enriching."

Initially, the Department plans to launch niche tourism offerings on a limited scale to study visitor preferences and identify high-potential locations. "Once we understand the pulse of our tourists, we'll roll out a long-term strategy spanning four to five years. This will allow us to cater to recurring interests," he noted.

Tourists visiting Mysuru predominantly come from neighbouring States such as Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra. This year, in light of recent security concerns in northern India following the Pahalgam terror attack, tourism interest has shifted more towards South Indian destinations — a trend the Department plans to leverage.

Digital outreach will play an important role. "We are planning to extensively use social media to disseminate information and facilitate easy bookings for these niche packages. To ensure the success of this initiative, we will also collaborate with departments such as Forest and Kannada and Culture," Prabhuswamy said.

The Dalai Lama is an emissary of world peace, says Dr. G. Parameshwar



Home Minister Dr.G. Parameshwar inaugurating the cultural programmes organised as part of Tibet Fest as Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, DIGP Dr.M.B. Boralingaiah and others look on.

Mysuru, July 20 (VVH&BS)- Home Minister Dr.G. Parameshwar has said that the world has recognised The Dalai Lama for spreading the message of peace, by braving adversaries like caste, religion and discrimination.

He was addressing the gathering after inaugurating the cultural programmes organised as part of the two-day Tibet Fest, marking the 90th birthday celebrations of Tibetan Spiritual Leader, The Dalai Lama, at Kalamandira yesterday.

"Today, the inter-country conflicts are on the rise, ultimately leading to violence. The message of peace preached by Bhagwan Buddha 2,500 years ago still holds relevance. Now, the Dalai Lama is taking the message of peace propagated by Buddha to every nook and corner of the world and can be well described as the 'Emissary of Peace' in the modern world," opined Dr. Parameshwar.

Tibetans had to find refuge in India following the attack by China on Tibet in the 1950s. The then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and Chief Minister of Karnataka S. Nijalingappa, who sheltered them, are always remembered by The Dalai Lama. It was Nijalingappa who spread the message among Tibetans to abide by the principles of our Constitution and live in peace and harmony, he added.

Stating that education has the power to overcome all odds, Dr. Parameshwar advised Tibetans to think about establishing more educational institutions towards preserving their art and culture.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji said, The 14th Dalai Lama is a great saint living among us, for the latter has been handling diverse roles as a spiritual leader and political guide.

The Dalai Lama is an emissary of peace for propagating Buddhism and guiding the ilk towards embracing humanity, empathy, harmony and forgiveness, across the world. The Dalai Lama's message of peace has been bestowed with the Nobel Peace Prize, he said.

"The Dalai Lama hasn't become great due to the awards, but the value has awards is enriched by conferring the honour on him," lauded Suttur Seer.

Tibetans presented the 'Snow Lion and Yak' dance programme. DIGP (Southern Range) Dr.M.B. Boralingaiah, former MLC Venugopal, Geshe Lhakdor, Njchen, Gelek, Chive, Thupten Tsering, Lobsang Dhondup and others were present.

Naveen Kumar appointed as State President of Brahmin Parishad

Naveen

Mysuru, July 20- N.M. Naveen Kumar of the city has been appointed as Karnataka State President of Akhila Bharat Brahmin Ekikruta Parishad, according to a press release.

Naveen Kumar is currently the State Vice-President of Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha.

Musical tributes to KBG at BVB Mysuru Kendra

BVB Mysuru Kendra in Vijayanagar 1st Stage paid musical tributes to K.B. Ganapathy (KBG), former Chairman, BVB Mysuru Kendra and Founder-Editor of Star of Mysore *and* Mysuru Mithra *who passed away on July 13, during the 146th Cultural Programmes jointly organised by BVB Bengaluru Kendra and Infosys Foundation. BVB Mysuru Kendra Chairman Prof. C. Naganna, Hon. Secretary P.S. Ganapathy, Treasurer Dr. A.T. Bhashyam, Executive Committee Members Dr.J.V. Gayathri, T.S. Gangadhar and B. Yogesh, BVB Principal S. Lekha Nair, Vice-Principal Prafullah Prasad and others were present. The dignitaries also offered floral tributes to the portrait of the KBG on the occasion. Following this, Vid. Dr. R.K. Padmanabha rendered a vocal concert. He was accompanied by Vid. C. Cheluvaraju (mridangam), Vidu. Sindhu Sucheth-an (violin), Vid. Abhishek and Vid. Anvik (veena).*

New impediments for Mysore Airport expansion

By R. Chandra Prakash

Chandra Prakash

Mysore Airport has been in the news for quite some time, but mostly for the wrong reasons. However, there was recently some good news. Finally, the State Government has agreed to release funds for the acquisition of the additional land needed to facilitate runway expansion, allowing bigger planes to operate from Mysore Airport.

This would enable Mysuru to get air connectivity to other important cities in the country. It would further accelerate the development of tourism and the IT and BT industries around Mysuru. However, at a time when Mysureans were looking forward to such a happy scenario, new impediments have emerged that threaten the development of Mysore Airport. It appears as if this project is jinxed.

NOC from AAI

As per the latest notification issued by the Airports Authority of India (AAI), all new high-rises within a 56-km radius of Mysore Airport must obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from AAI.

AAI has released a colour-coded zoning map for Mysore Airport, categorising areas into Green, Pink, Yellow and Red Zones. These zones specify height limits for structures and natural obstructions that could endanger aircraft operations.

The zoning map indicates clear guidelines for safe urban development around the airport. The Red Zone indicates the most restricted area near the runway, surrounded by Yellow, Pink, and Green Zones extending outward.

Local authorities, such as the Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru Development Authority, Nanjangud Town and parts of Chamarajanagar and Mandya Districts located within a 56-km radius, have been directed to approve construction plans only after applicants obtain an NOC from AAI.

Telecommunication towers, both existing and proposed within the said area, must also comply with this NOC requirement.

Master Plan and the implications of NOC

It is to be noted that the plans for the expansion and development of Mysore Airport have been in the public domain for more than two decades. During this same period, the Mysore-Nanjangud Master Plan-2031 has been under public discussion and was finally approved by the authorities in 2014-15.

As per this Master Plan, the expanded urbanisation area was to include lands between the erstwhile Mysuru city limits and the Nanjangud town limits. Interestingly, Mysore Airport is located at Mandakalli village, which happens to be, more or less, at the epicentre of this newly carved and expanded urbanised area.

Due to the overall effect of the Master Plan, private agricultural lands between these two areas have quickly been converted into commercial and industrial plots. Even the KIADB has established several new industrial estates in the region. Land values have shot up geometrically.

The urban area of Mysuru city has now extended beyond Mandakalli village, and many residential layouts and buildings have come up in the area. Many of these constructions are located close to the present airport boundary. The Mysuru City Corporation has also established a new Solid Waste Management unit on land not very far from the airport.

Mysuru is looking forward to all-round, faster economic development, particularly after the new Expressway between Mysuru and Bengaluru reduced the travel time between the two cities to just 90 minutes. This economic growth of Mysuru is also being stimulated by increasing traffic congestion and the rising cost of living in Bengaluru.

Will Devanahalli movement repeat?

Now, it seems that the notification for obtaining an NOC from AAI — particularly for areas falling under the Red Zone — might have come too late. What will happen to high-rises that already exist in the Red Zone? What will be the effect on the high land values in these zones, as the 56-km radius area also includes parts of Chamarajanagar and Mandya districts?

Since the NOC covers such vast areas, it will certainly generate strong opposition from land-owners, developers and other interested parties. It is strongly rumoured that much of this land is under the ownership and control of politicians.

Therefore, a land-owners' movement could be a very effective tool to corner the government and stall the airport expansion project.

Just a couple of days ago, the Chief Minister agreed to the agitating Devanahalli farmers' demand and withdrew the proposal to acquire 4,000 acres of land for establishing an Aviation Museum. Therefore, we will have to keep our fingers crossed and wait. But there is one more development that does not augur well for the future of Mysore Airport.

Location of the second Bengaluru Airport

The Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) at Devanahalli, Bengaluru, is reaching its optimal capacity very soon. Therefore, a second airport for Bengaluru has become necessary.

M.B. Patil, Karnataka's Minister for Industries and Infrastructure Development, has proposed three locations to the Airports Authority of India (AAI). Two sites are along Kanakapura Road — near Kaggalipura in Bengaluru Urban District and Harohalli in Bengaluru South (Ramanagara) — and the third is at Chikkasolur in Bengaluru Rural District along the Nelamangala-Kunigal Road.

However, aviation expert Devesh Agarwal considers all three sites unsuitable. On the contrary, he has suggested that the new airport be located between Bengaluru and Mysuru.

He opined, "Besides serving several Tier-2 cities in the south and southwest of Bengaluru, this new airport will also aid various industries in the region. The Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway is an added advantage."

It is noteworthy to recall my articles 'Demand for International Airport for Mysuru: Some Basic Issues' *(Star of Mysore* dated Aug. 19, 2020) and 'Has Mysuru Gone Bengaluru Way–3: KIA Location—A Myopic Decision' *(SOM* dated Dec. 29, 2021), which elaborated on this issue and pondered how, instead of Devanahalli, a location between Bengaluru and Mysuru would have been an ideal choice.

Impact on Mysore Airport expansion

If the second airport is indeed located between Bengaluru and Mysuru, then the expansion and development of Mysore Airport may become redundant. The new airport — an international one — would be only about 40 - 50 kms away from Mysuru and easily reachable within one hour via the Highway. Unfortunately, Mysuru's airport seems to be cursed. Despite being one of the oldest in the country, it may only remain a heritage airport.

Mysuru may soon get flights to Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad, Goa

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar writes to air operator

Yaduveer

Mysuru, July 20 (BCT)- In a welcome development for Mysuru, Karnataka's cultural capital, the long-standing demand for enhanced air connectivity may soon be fulfilled. The city could soon see direct flight services to major destinations, including Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad and Goa.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has written to IndiGo Airlines, urging the immediate launch of flight operations to these key cities.

In his letter, Wadiyar underscored Mysuru's prominence as one of India's foremost tourist destinations and a growing hub for education and enterprise. He stated that improved connectivity would greatly benefit entrepreneurs, students, tourists and the general public alike.

He also expressed optimism that the airline would act on the proposal soon. According to Wadiyar, IndiGo has responded positively and assured its willingness to begin services on these routes.

If realised, the new flights will mark a significant step forward in improving regional connectivity and boosting Mysuru's economic and tourism potential.

NEWS BRIEFS

Yakshagana

City-based Yaksharanga theatre group will stage 'Chandrahasa,' a Moodalapaya Yakshagana Bayalaata, at Ramagovinda Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar at 6.30 pm today (July 20). This yakshagana is scripted by Poet Laureate Kuvempu. Former Kuvempu University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Chidananda Gowda will inaugurate. Prof. K.R. Durgadas, Chairman of Karnataka Bayalaata Academy, will preside.

Workshop

KSOU has organised a 10-day workshop on 'Women Research Scholars in Social Sciences focussing on Research Methodologies for M.Phil/Ph.D/PDF courses' at Cauvery auditorium in Muktagangothri campus at 10.30 am on July 21. University of Mysore (UoM) Social Work Department Head Prof. Chandramouli will be the guest of honour. UoM Department of Library and Information Science retired faculty Prof. Lalitha Ashwath will deliver the main talk.

Free coaching for M.Com exam

The Post-Graduate Studies Centre, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Seshadri Iyer Road, has organised a 5-day free coaching class for entrance exam to be conducted by University of Mysore for admission to M.Com course, from July 21 to 25. Classes will be held from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm at the college premises. Contact Ph: 0821-2420284 or 99012-93396.

Hypothyroidism

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura, Alanahalli, is organising a 11-day yoga camp on Hypothyroidism from July 21 to 31. People with problems of fatigue, hoarse voice, unexplained weight gain, muscle weakness, constipation etc., may attend the camp which from 9 am to 4.30 pm on all days till July 31. Call Ph:0821-2548231 or Mob: 83100-21500.

Ayurveda Camp

Cauvery Ayurveda Medical College and Hospital near Devegowda Circle, KBL Layout in city, is organising a week-long free Ayurveda health check-up camp from July 21 to 26. Patients suffering from psoriasis, cough, cold, asthma and children with allergic symptoms can attend. For details, contact Mob: 97317-99317.

Heart Check-up

A week-long heart check-up camp, which began at Suyog Hospital in Ramakrishnanagar on July 19, will conclude on July 26. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2533600 or Mob: 99863-99862.

Tackling cybercrime and boosting financial literacy

MoU signed by Karnataka Police Academy and Postal Training Institute

Mysuru, July 20 (BCT)- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to combat cybercrimes was signed and exchanged between the Karnataka Police Academy, Mysuru and the Postal Training Institute, Mysuru, on July 19.

This collaboration between a premier training institution for Police officers in the State and a renowned centre for training postal department personnel aims to facilitate cross-training, the exchange of resource persons and the development of innovative courses for officers of both institutions.

Under the MoU, trainees from both the Police and Postal Departments will benefit from enhanced subject knowledge and exposure to innovative practices relevant to their respective fields.

Officers from the Postal Department will receive training from Police Department experts in areas such as cybersecurity, fingerprinting and tackling drug trafficking. Meanwhile, Police Department officers will gain insights into financial literacy, small investment opportunities, financial management and IT systems used in the postal sector.

Director of Karnataka Police Academy S.L. Chennabasavanna and Director of the Postal Training Institute, Mysuru, Dr. Ashish Singh Thakur, seen after signing the Memorandum of Understanding to combat cybercrimes, as others look on.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Ashish Singh Thakur, Director of the Postal Training Institute, Mysuru, said, "The collaboration will be a valuable addition to the knowledge and professional experience of officers from both departments."

Director of Karnataka Police Academy, S.L. Chennabasavanna, described the MoU as a significant step forward. "The agreement between these two historic institutions is a milestone. It will pave the way for enhanced training of the next generation of officers and ultimately lead to more effective public service. Both institutions will work towards mutual development by sharing best practices."

Present at the MoU exchange were Assistant Directors of KPA — H.S. Renukaradhya, N. Sudarshan, S. Venkatesh and M. Kranthiraj Vodeyar, Reader in Management, KPA. Representing the Postal Training Institute were Assistant Directors Balaraj, Sridhar, Shraddha V. Gokarna, Manjunatha K. Rao and other staff members.

BPL card to Pourakarmikas, 'D' Group employees on anvil: Minister Muniyappa

Mysuru, July 20 (SPN&BS)- Food and Civil Supplies Minister K.H. Muniyappa has said that the Government is mulling over issuing Below Poverty Line (BPL) cards to all the Pourakarmikas, daily wage labourers and other labour class and 'D' Group staff, with the discussions being held with the Chief Minister.

He was addressing media persons after chairing a Divisional-level progress review meeting of the Department of Food and Civil Supplies and Legal Metrology, at the meeting hall of Deputy Commissioner's Office in Siddarthanagar in the city on Friday.

Legal hurdles

"There are legal hurdles to issue BPL cards to Pourakarmikas. A discussion with CM will be initiated to deliberate whether all the Pourakarmikas, daily wagers and labourers should be extended the benefit or to only select classes of the society, before implementing the same," said Muniyappa.

The ration card beneficiaries who haven't completed the formalities of e-KYC should be identified and the inactive BPL cards should be converted into APL card within seven days. Those who have not submitted documents towards e-KYC procedure should be issued a prior warning and subsequently the ration be stopped. The guilty officers should not be spared from disciplinary action, he said.

Food and Civil Supplies Minister K.H. Muniyappa addressing the media persons at Deputy Commissioner's office in Siddarthanagar after the progress review meeting. Food and Civil Supplies Department Secretary Manoj Jain, Commissioner Vasireddy Vijaya Jyothsna, Karnataka Food and Civil Supplies Corporation Limited Managing Director M.K. Jagadeesh and others are seen.

No cancellation of cards

He clarified that none of the ration cards will be cancelled, but the BPL cards of those economically strong, but enjoying the benefit, shall be converted into APL. It is the responsibility of the officers to reach the ration to those 10 to15 households at hilly areas in Chamarajanagar district, said Minister Muniyappa and directed the officials to constitute District Level Vigilance Committee.

1.6 lakh card holders

Food and Civil Supplies Department Commissioner Vasireddy Vijaya Jyothsna said, still 1.69 lakh card holders have not undergone the process of e-KYC. Some more time is required for the single member card holders, while those cards containing four to five beneficiaries can be stopped issuing the ration. Those card holders who have not fulfilled the procedures for e-KYC before Aug. 5 should be warned and the issuance of ration should be stopped. Besides, disciplinary action should be taken against the officers. It is being thought over to introduce an exclusive policy for those card holders, who have been availing of the benefit only for obtaining Health Cards at the Taluk and District-levels, he said.

Muniyappa inspects grain quality at Bandipalya APMC

Mysuru, July 20 (GA&DM)- Minister for Food and Civil Supplies K.H. Muniyappa visited the wholesale outlet in Bandipalya APMC on Nanjangud Road recently and carried out an inspection of food grains.

Carrying out a quality check of Rice, Ragi and other food grains, Muniyappa asked the officials to ensure that quality food grains is delivered to beneficiaries. Stressing on the need for maintaining quality, the Minister directed for maintaining quality consistently in wholesale outlets.

Later, he spoke to Hamaalis (Loaders and Unloaders), when he said that the problems and grievances of loaders will be addressed.

The Minister's Personal Secretary Dr. H. Nataraj, Food and Civil Supplies Department Deputy Director Manteswamy, Assistant Director Kiran and others were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Devise

Pronunciation: dih-VYZE (verb)
Meaning: To devise is to invent or plan something that is difficult or complicated in some way.
Origin: There's something inventive about devise, a word that stems from Latin dividere, meaning "to divide." By the time devise was being used in English, its Anglo-French forebear deviser had accumulated an array of senses, including "divide," "distribute," "arrange," "order," "plan," "invent," and "assign by will." English adopted some of these and added new senses, such as "imagine" and "guess," that have fallen out of use over time. Today devise is most commonly used as a synonym of invent or plot in situations where the objective is difficult or complicated. Note that devise is often confused with another dividere (and deviser) descendent: device refers to a technique, method, tool, or small machine or gadget. One way to help keep their spellings straight is to remember that ice, usually a noun, is found at the end of the noun device, not the verb devise.
Example: "The Timberwolves surprisingly advanced to the Western Conference finals last year before losing to the Mavericks. After a troublesome season, Minnesota returned before being thumped by the top-seeded Thunder. The series wasn't really close, and the Timberwolves ... will have to devise a way to compete in the Western Conference with the Lakers, Nuggets, Clippers, Spurs, Mavericks, and Warriors all chasing them." —Gary Washburn, The Boston Globe, 1 June 2025.

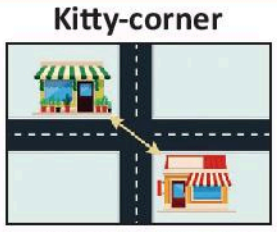
THE ODD WORD

Recogitate

To think over again.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Kitty-corner



Meaning: You use the term 'Kitty-corner' to indicate that something is positioned diagonally.
Origin: The term 'Kitty-corner' has nothing to do with cats. Instead, it stems from the expression 'cater-corner,' which is derived from "quatre," the French word for "four." The term was used to describe the way the dots are placed on a dice positioned at number four, diagonally from one another.
Example: "Our house is kitty-corner from the park."

QUOTE BOX

Better keep yourself clean and bright; you are the window through which you must see the world. **—George Bernard Shaw**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

DIFFE RENCE

Answer: Split the difference.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Earthenware container
4 Not sweet and dry for wines
7 Mischievous fairy
10 Army Post Off.
11 Like _ __ of bricks : rather heavily? (1,3)
13 Fluent in speech
14 Rebound, as a bullet
16 Arabian sultanate
17 Condition
19 Game bird
21 Donkey
24 One end of a hammer
25 Waited patiently for the right opportunity to develop? (4,3)
27 Bury in a grave
29 Indian wheaten flour
30 Artists' workrooms
33 Protective crust over a wound
34 ___ Ki Khatir : "Just for you" in Hindi or Urdu?
35 Electric toggles
38 Set of artificial teeth
39 Ms Deol or Ms Gupta of Bollywood
42 Inhabitant of an ancient country in West Italy
46 Develop
47 French name
48 Actress Thurman
49 Sep sequel
50 Q-U connectors
51 Knock vigorously

DOWN

1 Sound discordantly
2 India's real-time payment system
3 General Officer Commanding
4 Certain bones - "a scar" anagram?
5 Community spirit
6 Having the same age or existing in same epoch
7 Shade tree
8 Debussy heroine
9 Fly-by-night
12 Former South African paceman Makhaya ___
13 Sticky substance
15 ____ the innings: faced the first ball?
18 Main axis of plant
19 Five as a prefix?
20 Excited (3,2)
21 Popular girl's name
22 Carbonated beverages
23 Large mop
24 Leaning Tower's city
26 Morse code constituents: dots and ___
28 Rebel or revolt
31 Proprietor for one, landlord for another?
32 Easy catch
36 ___ the corner : is on the road to improvement?
37 Small glass bottle for holding oil, vinegar etc.
38 Crow-like bird
39 One's individuality
40 Sys. and Research Centre
41 In ___ water : in trouble?
43 Mongrel
44 Against med. advice
45 Forty winks

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

T	A	N	G	■	U	K	E	S	■	E	M	T
A	P	E	R	■	P	A	R	A	■	M	E	O
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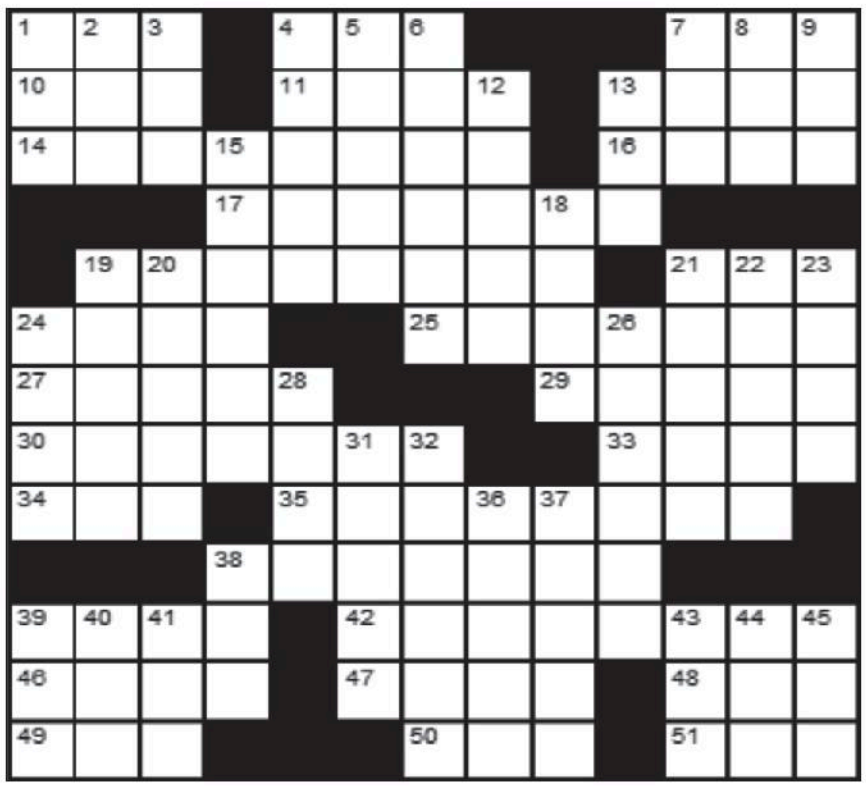

SUDOKU

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					3	8		4
3			4			7		
2	1						9	6
		9			6			3
1		5	3					
	3				9		8	
					4	9		

Answer to previous puzzle

9	1	8	3	5	7	2	4	6
6	7	2	4	9	8	3	5	1
4	3	5	6	2	1	8	7	9
1	9	4	5	6	3	7	2	8
2	8	3	9	7	4	6	1	5
7	5	6	1	8	2	4	9	3
3	4	7	8	1	5	9	6	2
5	2	9	7	3	6	1	8	4
8	6	1	2	4	9	5	3	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

WGGPJQSEWQV EWLT UPQ WU QBL QBWUNT VPI ELSXL

RLBWUO, RIQ WU QBL HLPHEL VPIJ EWAL BST QPIKBLO.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: It's a good rule to follow the first law of holes: if you are in one, stop digging.

MOVIE LOVERS

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  Junior (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Ekka (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Ekka (K) - 4 Shows
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  Maadeva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Maargan (Ta) - 4 Shows
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- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
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  Maalik (H) - 3 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Saiyaare (H)	(S-1)	10.05 am; (S-3) 12.55 pm, 7.15 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	(S-1)	1.20 pm
Junior (K)	(S-1)	4.25 pm
Jurassic World: Rebirth (E-3D)	(S-1)	7.30 pm
Nikita Roy (H)	(S-1)	10.15 pm
Nilgiris: A Shared Wilderness (E)	(S-2)	9.30 am, 5.25 pm
Smurfs (E)	(S-2)	11.20 am, 1.25 pm, 3.25 pm
Junior (Te)	(S-2)	7.10 pm
JSK: Janaki V vs State of Kerala (Ma)	(S-2)	10.20 pm
I Know What You Did Last Summer (E)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 10.25 pm
Tanvi: The Great (H)	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Ekka (K)	(S-4)	10 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7.05, 10.05 pm

MVC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Maadeva (K)	(S-1)	1.30 pm, 6.35 pm
Central (Ta)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Ekka (K)	(S-2)	10.15 am, 1.15 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.15 pm
	(S-3)	9.30 pm
Junior (Te)	(S-3)	6.35 pm
Junior (K)	(S-4)	10 am, 1 pm, 4 pm
Jurassic World: Rebirth (E-3D)	(S-4)	7 pm, 9.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Ph: 0821-230 0402

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I Know What You Did Last Summer (E)	:	10 am, 5.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Smurfs (E)	:	10 am, 3.20 pm, 8 pm
Ekka (K)	:	10.10 am, 1.05 pm, 4.05 pm 7.25 pm, 10.30 pm
Junior (K)	:	10.20 am, 11.55 am, 6.20 pm
Junior (Te)	:	9.30 pm
Maalik (H)	:	12.15 pm
Superman (E-3D)	:	1.15 pm, 7.30 pm
Jurassic World: Rebirth (E-3D)	:	1.30 pm, 7.10 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	:	3.05 pm
Dheeran (Ma)	:	3.45 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	4.10 pm
Tanvi: The Great (H)	:	9.45 pm
Metro... In Dino (H)	:	10.20 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 88009 00009

Ekka (K)	:	9.40 am, 12.45 pm, 3.50 pm 6.55 pm, 10 pm
Junior (K)	:	10 am, 4.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Junior (Te)	:	7.20 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	10.05 am, 1 pm, 7 pm
I Know What You Did Last Summer (E)	:	11 am, 6.05 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	12.55 pm
Smurfs (E)	:	1.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Maadeva (K)	:	3.20 pm
Superman (E-3D)	:	4.10 pm
Nilgiris: A Shared Wilderness (E)	:	8.30 pm
Jurassic World:Rebirth (E-3D)	:	10.10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 20)

- **Spoorthi - The Ladies Wing of Builders' Association of India, Mysore Centre:** Spoorthi Utsav 2025-26, an exhibition of products by women entrepreneurs, Jayamma Govinde Gowda Convention Hall, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Kala Sourabha:** Ragamala Sourabha — raga 'Shahana' music by Vidu. Dr. R.N. Srilatha, Kala Sourabha, 8th Cross, Ramakrishna Nagar 'E and F' block, **4 pm.**
- **Sacred Heart Church, Yadavagiri:** Annual Church Feast-2025, Holy Mass by Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras, Benediction of the blessed Sacrament and Car Procession, Church premises, **5.30 pm.**
- **Anubhuti - Arts and Cultural Group, Event Tree and Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC), Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Maaya', directed by S. Ramanath, JCAC premises, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **Tibetan Organisations and Tibetan Settlement Offices across South India:** Valedictory of Tibet Fest on account of 90th birthday of The Dalai Lama, Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar, chief guest, Kalamandira, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** 'Greeshma Rangotsava' in memory of late theatre person C.G. Krishnamurthy, staging of play 'Parameshi Prema Prasanga,' by Rangavalli Theatre Troupe, directed by Ravi Prasad, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Subbanna Smarane - memorial programme, staging of Natana Payana Repertory's play 'Kaniveya Haadu,' directed by Dr. Sripada Bhat, Natana Rangashale, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Noopura Kalavidara Samskrithika Trust and Department of Kannada and Culture:** Ashada Sangeetha-Nrithya Sambhrama, Bharatanatyam by Vidu. K.S. Supritha Sachchidanand, **6.30 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Harshita Subramanya and Vidu. Moulya Venkatesh; Guru Vidu. M.L. Varija Nalige and Guru Vidu. Mithra Naveen will be present, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust:** Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavata' by Vid. Ganesh Sharma, Sri Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 7.45 pm.**
- **Chinmaya Mission, Gurudev Datta Sannidhi, Gokulam:** Swami Brahmanandaji delivers discourse in Kannada on 'Nitya Jeevanakke Giteya Sandesha,' Sringeri Shankar Mutt, Fort Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 21)

- **Department of Studies and Research in Library and Information Science, Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Library, Mysuru and Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi:** Inauguration of ten-day workshop on 'Women Research Scholars in Social Sciences focussing on Research Methodologies for M.Phil/Ph.D/PDF courses,' Prof. Chandramouli, Chairman, DoS in Social Work, University of Mysore, guest of honour, DoS in Library and Information Science retired faculty Prof. Lalitha Ashwath delivers keynote address, KSOU VC Prof. Sharanappa V. Halase presides, Registrar Prof. S.K. Naveen Kumar, Dean (Academic) Prof. Ramanatham Naidu, Dean (Study Centre) Dr. N.R. Chandregowda, Registrar Evaluation Prof. C.S. Ananda Kumar and Finance Officer Prof. Niranjan Raj, will be present, Cauvery auditorium, **10.30 am.**
- **Karnataka State Finance Corporation (KSFC) Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar Branch Offices:** Entrepreneurs Meet and Workshop on 'Financial Aid Plans', Journalist Ravi Kote inaugurates, KSFC (Mysuru Circle) General Manager N.S. Shivanna presides, District Industries Centre (DIC) - Mysuru Joint Director K. Shivalingaiah and Tourism Department Assistant Director V.M. Prabhuswamy, chief guests, Mysore Sports Club, Lalitha Mahal Road, **10.30 am to 2 pm.**
- **Prasaranga, University of Mysore (UoM) and Karnataka Folklore Research Organisation, Mysuru:** Release of the book '*Hosagannada Sahitya Charithre: Panthagalu*' (authors: Dr. Hombaiah Honnalagere and Srinath B. Kambhale) by Prasaranga Director Prof. M. Nanjaiah Honganuru, Sarawathipuram Police Station Sub-Inspector T.S. Mahendra and *Praja Sathya* Newspaper Editor Vinod Mahadevapura, chief guests, Kuvempu Auditorium, Prasaranga, **11 am.**
- **Chinmaya Mission, Gurudev Datta Sannidhi, Gokulam:** Swami Brahmanandaji delivers discourse in Kannada on 'Nitya Jeevanakke Giteya Sandesha,' Sringeri Shankar Mutt, Fort Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

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F1: The Movie (E)	:	10 pm

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NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Entries invited for MDJA awards

Mysuru, July 20- The Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) has invited entries from journalists, who are MDJA members for the annual award for Best English, Kannada reports, Photography and Electronic Media reports.

The news reports must be published between June 1, 2024 and May 31, 2025.

Photographers will have to send three copies of their photograph of 8x12 size, along with the original copy of the newspaper in which it is published.

Electronic media journalists have to send three CD copies containing news and concerned video clippings. The last date for sending entries along with supporting records is July 31. Entries received after the deadline will not be considered.

For more details, contact Mob: 97415-11340 or 98456-53548 or 97405-57277, according to a press release.

Dr. Shivarajkumar musical event on July 21, 22

Mysuru, July 20 (VNS)- City's

Dr. Rajkumar Musical Group will be organising a two-day musical event titled 'Dr. Shivarajkumar Hits' on July 21 and 22 at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha from 5 pm to 9.30 pm. The event has been organised to celebrate the 63rd birthday of Dr. Shivarajkumar and also to commemorate his completion of 40 years in the film industry.

Singers Mysore Jayaram, T.V.S. Kumar, Chandrashekar, Ramdas, Anand, Vishwanath, Srinivas, Chandan, Tejaswini and Anitha will be rendering select 80 songs from 125 movies of Shivarajkumar on the occasion. Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji, senior theatre person Rajashekar Kadamba, senior journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar, art patron Prakashanna and artiste Raghavendra will be lighting the lamp to inaugurate the programme on July 21. On July 22, Dr. Rajkumar fans will light the lamp to inaugurate the day's programme. Entry is free.

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1. Sri. M.R. SUBRAMANYA, Aged about 72 years, S/o Late. S. Ramachandraiah, 2. Sri. M.R. RAMANATHAN, Aged about 65 years, S/o Late. S.Ramachandraiah, 3. Smt. H.V. JAYASHREE, Aged about 64 years, W/o Late. M.R. Vishwanath, and 4. Sri. M.R.JANARDHAN, Aged about 61 years, S/o Late. S. Ramachandraiah, all are residing at No.293, 6th Main, 2nd Stage, Vijayanagara, Mysuru-570017, we are causing this public notice:
Our clients have obtained a decree for arrears of rent against Syed Sohail Ali, the owner of the schedule property. And our clients have sought for the execution of the decree in Ex. No.313/2023 on the file of the Hon'ble V Addl. Senior Civil Judge, Mysuru and sought for the attachment of the schedule property to the tune of Rs. 24,29,816/- It is learnt that said Syed Sohail Ali is making his hectic efforts to fraudulently sell the schedule property. Any transfer of the schedule property will not bind our clients; our clients will challenge the same as a fraudulent transfer and will seek for the attachment and sale of the schedule property.
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